

Senate Resolution 324

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Philandria Williams; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Philandria Williams, a senior at Hardaway High School, received the Richard
3 R. Miles Award for Youth at a recent One Columbus dinner; and

4 WHEREAS, in less than 250 words, she summed up why diversity is important to her,
5 saying, "If everyone was the same, the world would be very boring. Having different people,
6 different races, and different ideas, it opens up doors and just gives an opportunity for
7 variety"; and

8 WHEREAS, these unifying sentiments set her essay apart from the other contestants and are
9 the reason she was recognized by One Columbus; and

10 WHEREAS, she says, "It's a subject that not a lot of people think about. To write about
11 diversity is something I really wanted to experience because a lot of people don't take the
12 time to think about why our community is so diverse"; and

13 WHEREAS, Cheryl Seymour, the Hardaway High School teacher who nominated Philandria
14 for the award, notes that she has friends across all racial boundaries and creeds; and

15 WHEREAS, it is important that young people of her character be recognized and
16 commended.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 recognize and commend Philandria Williams for her achievements and wish her well in the
19 future.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Philandria Williams.